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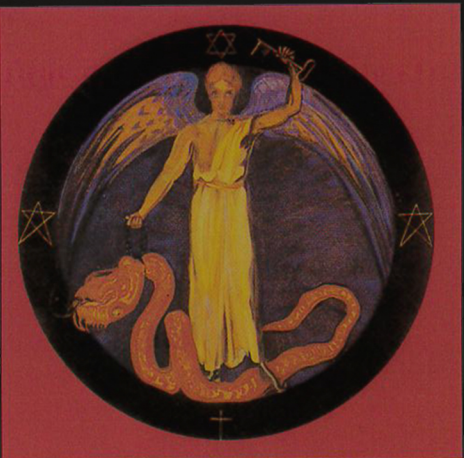
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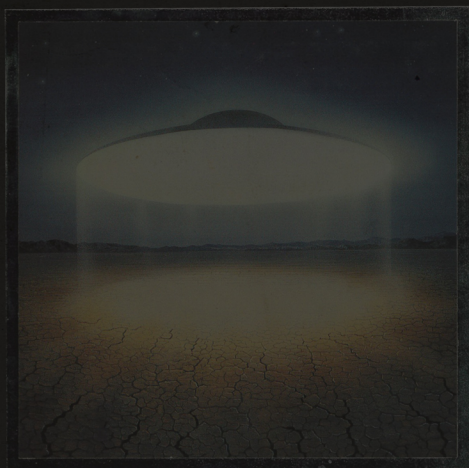
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Notable for mind-bending explorations of phenomena from the paranormal to the unexplained, *Mysteries of the Unknown* encouraged a generation of curious minds to push the boundaries of reality.

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# THE FORMAT

Each episode will delve into the mind-bending annals explored in *Mysteries of the Unknown*. With atmospheric cinematography, chilling moments, and a psychologically provocative backbone, *Mysteries of the Unknown* has the potential to once again be as much of a conversational staple as it was in the 80's.

Each season will consist of 12 episodes drawing from the series' 33 volumes. With each book dense enough to sustain multiple episodes, the series longevity is unparalleled.





# POTENTIAL EPISODES

## HAUNTINGS

Our Narrator takes us to the village of Borley, home to England's most notorious haunted house. One of the most controversial hauntings of the modern era, the Borley House is alleged to be built atop the body of a nun who was buried alive after trying to elope with her priest.

What starts as odd noises in the night turns into sightings, unexplainable occurrences, and threats of arson from the ghost herself.

The story culminates in a seance by ghost specialist Harry Price, in which an oil lamp tips over, igniting the house. Among the ashes of the house's foundation, we find the bones of the murdered nun. Her bones uncovered, she is free to move on, ending the sordid hauntings of Borley House.

## THE SEARCH FOR THE SOUL

This episode tackles some of the most fundamental questions surrounding humanity: What animates the physical body? What happens to the human soul after death? Is there a human soul at all?

The Narrator introduces the concept of "automatic writing" a phenomenon in which dead artists continue to create from beyond the grave. We focus on Ethel Le Rossignol, a London-based artist who claimed to be channeling a dead artist known only as JPF. Through JPF, Ethel painted images of the afterlife, giving an insight to one of humanity's most pondered topics.

Whether Ethel was a true medium to the creatively-inclined undead, or an opportunistic artist struggling to make a name for herself, the questions of the episode reverberate; what is the extent of the human soul, and where does it go when we die?